

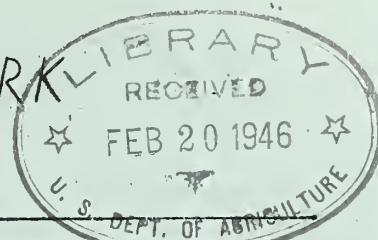
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HIKERS TO HAUNT

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REACTION?

A compartment in a Rumanian train contained four people. When the tunnel darkened the compartment, two sounds--a kiss and a slap--were heard. Here are the reactions by the four people in the compartment!

Grandmother--"I'm glad to see that my grand-daughter has been well trained." Grand-daughter--"I don't blame the man, she's interesting for her age, and she certainly packs a healthy wallop."

German Officer--"Why didn't I think of that first? But I do hate to get slapped for what the other fellow did!"

Rumanian Officer--"What fun! To make a noise like a kiss, and then slap the fellow I've been wanting to all the while."

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Henry C. Chelton, Doris M. Hills, Lister C. Hindley*, Emanuel Noble, J. K. O'Shaughnessy, Raymond W. Lynn, Clifton J. Bradley, Helen A. Carr, John M. Duncan, Forrest R. George*, Edgar R. Mead, Bruce O. Watkins*, Arthur C. Hagen*, George J. Long, Clayton J. Frasener*, Percy H. Keneipp, Hobard E. Rowe*, Jere J. Carew, Frank M. Helring, Lloyd Valdez*, Franklin R. Carmines*, Elton L. Bennett, Herman W. Dunham, Reba Penn Eberts, Reuben E. Fields*, Georgia E. M. Kick, Guy M. Thaxton**, James J. Weeks.

* Military Furlough

** Mr. Thaxton is a member of the Committee on Power Transmission and Distribution of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, an appointment which is considered quite an honor.

The haunts of coot and tern will have another species, the REA hiker, this coming Sunday. Come and revel in the great outdoors. Bring your lunch--campfire style. We have a fireside all reserved for you so you can chat with the guys and gals. We may visit a quarry in our travels, too. Who knows what adventure may befall you. Meet in front of the Clayton Courthouse at 2:15 Sunday afternoon. University Clayton or Kirkwood car will take you there. The Levis Estate hiking pictures are on the 5th and 10th floor bulletin boards.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON RETIREMENT--7X2/48

Q. Is deposit in the retirement fund required to obtain full credit for service during which the employee was not subject to the Retirement Act?

A. The law allows service claimed from and after Aug. 1, 1920, to be credited for computation purposes with or without deposit, but stipulates that if the deposit is not made the employee's annuity shall be reduced by the amount such deposit would purchase.

Q. Must the service involved be consecutive or may broken periods be considered?

A. All service for the United States or District of Columbia Government is subject to credit regardless of breaks in employment.

(Birthdays cont'd) - Margaret Walker, and D. Morrison Neely.

TEN YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Clifton J. Bradley - 12 yrs. 9½ mos. (2 yrs, 11½ mo. REA)

Percy H. Keneipp - 15 yrs. 4 mos., 24 da. (5 yrs 11 mo. REA)

Elton L. Bennett - 10 yrs. 1 mo. (3 yrs. REA)

Guy W. Thaxton - 11 yrs. 7 mos. (9 yrs. 1½ Mo. REA)

WANTED: One pair ball bearing roller skates; Contact Mr. Kiff, Room 1110.

DIDJAKNOWTHAT

COD has been the scene of great activities this week and HOW. Many visitors coming and going, and Dr. Andrew Trishé, one of the speakers from La., seemed to be getting plenty of help on his subject, "Observations", from that irrespressible trio, E. Kuhar, Mary Waters and Terry Poplawski. D. Fleming has been "pertapitating" on how the boys can play around with live wires (no remarks, please) and emerge unscathed while E. Bohannon with the come-hither in her eye has been greeting all comers with open arms. That is all but one - yes siree, an officer of the law loomed large up on the horizon of Elva's world one fine a.m. and try as they may the CODers cannot find out what she's been up to though they fear the worst and could be seen standing around longing for bigger and better keyholes but to no avail. No one knows whether Ann joined the Marines 'cause Mr. McWhorter is leaving us or vice versa but come November 1st, Mr. Mc leaves for Nashville, Tenn. and Ann dons the green uniform with the world on her cap and sallies forth "semper fidelis". With Mr. McWhorter's announcement came the big scramble - Perc Sachs scrambled for the McWhorter domicile, L. Elmore scrambled for the Sach's abode and if anyone else is looking for a roof tree they better start scrambling for the Elmore Slack. Perc had to have larger quarters in which to install the library he has accumulated on his desk and from around which he peeps to find out who is entering or leaving his office - a very pretty barricade. He also has a mighty fine replica of his first "reading room" adorning his office. "Orphans of the Storm" or at least one of them had nothing on R. Eberts on a cold, raw rainy day. Out in all that weather was Reba, with the chills chasing each other hither and yon, waiting patiently for that genius of the hop, skip and a jump - you know who. One can't go by-by without a railroad ticket so Reba was delegated to brave the wind and weather and deliver the most essential upon James' arrival out of the everywhere into the here but it had to be done on the fly during one of those non-stop flights in which only he excels. She missed on the first time around and when last seen was sending up calls to the high heavens and Elmer Daniels to please stop his peregrinations and tie him down long enough to thrust the tickets in his wallet and send him on his wayward way. There is going to have to be some research work done on the Boss of D&C. Certain femmes report that the sparks fly every time they shake hands with him, tsk! tsk! "Panama Hattie", known to us as lovely Beryl Lewis, reports from Panama that she's doing all right but will divulge no further information - wise gal.

Those boys now basking in the sunshine of the So. Pac. and who send home their superfluous uniforms for safe keeping would do well to remove all evidences of what might have been a romantic interlude before shipment or they're going to need their reefers when they arrive home. Mr. Buchanan would like to have the REAer who sent the pamphlet entitled "The World of Washington Irving" to Lt. J. N. Tidwell, San Francisco, Cal., to call him on 295 as it has been returned for better address and is cluttering up his neat and tidy quarters. HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE: Helen Schuh veddy, veddy grateful because of the return of her lost articles while Gladys Wright is sending up songs of thanksgiving 'cause the rain washed away all those things to which she is allergic and so no longer has h.f.; B. Culver saying goodbye to REA come Saturday; Mary Emma Euler a.l'ing down Maysfield, Ky. way to take a looksee at her brand new nephew; the bravado of R. Stokley who has returned from a.l'ing adorned with a flourishing mustache - could it be a la Dewey or that other guy; post war planning item - it's two, three and four for the D. Richters, J. Cobbs and G. Taylors, respectively; Louisan Mamer looking mighty natty in her new coachman's chapeau and reporting she is well on the way to recovery after playing with the buzz-saw; T. Wilson with further recognition for her work with the U.S.O. as guest of the Brass Hats of that organization at breakfast at the Park Plaza; M. Mack resigning while Ann Hesselderez joins our ranks; Mary Horne back from a top flight vacation in Calif. where she did some mountain climbing; Warrant Officer Larry Vernier home on leave before setting out on world travels; all the boys who can't get out nights and so are throwing a monkey wrench into the bowling league; J(aunty) Lynch of the Big Top helping the budget boys to budget. SPAN is published by the REA Athletic Association for employees of REA; F. Speh, Editor; S. Norton, Associate Editor. Signed contributions are welcome and should be sent to F. Speh, Room 1050.